Please amend the claims as follows:

1.   (original) A method of coding and/or transmitting EPG
(electronic program guide) data, the data comprising respective
ones of multiple program records identifying a respective one of
multiple programs and specific ones of a plurality of schedule
records identifying one or more specific scheduled broadcast times
of the respective programs, characterized in that the program
records (p1, p2, p3) and the schedule records (s11, s12, … s1i,
s21, s22,….s2i, s31,s32,…s3i) are coded and/or transmitted in an
interleaved manner (({p1,s11,s12,…s1i},{p2,s21,s22,…s2i},
{p3,s31,s32,s3i,…}),
(s11,s12,….s1i,p1},{s21,s22,…s2i,p2},{s31,s32,…s3i,p3})).

2.   (original) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in
that the interleaved program records and schedule records are
sorted on a time basis.

3.   (original) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in
that schedule records refer to program records that are ahead in
the coding scheme ({p1,s11,s12,…s1i},{p2,s21,s22,…s2i},
{p3,s31,s32,s3i,…}).

4. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the interleaved program records and schedule records are coded in a section, which is separate and ahead in the coding scheme from other sections comprising information relating to the programs.

5. (original) A method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the section, which comprises interleaved program records and schedule records, is preceded by a section comprising general information.

6. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the program records and schedule records are interleaved so that two successive ones of the program records are separated by one or more schedule records associated with a particular one of the two successive program records.

7. (currently amended) A device comprising an encoder for coding EPG data comprising program records and schedule records in accordance with the method as claimed in any one of the claims 1 to 6claim 1.

8. (currently amended) A receiving device (RC) comprising a decoder for decoding EPG data comprising program records and schedule records coded in accordance with the method as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~claim 1.

9. (original) A computer program operative to parse EPG data, wherein the data comprises respective ones of multiple program records identifying a respective one of multiple programs and specific ones of a plurality of schedule records identifying one or more specific scheduled broadcast times of the respective programs, and wherein the program records and schedule records are interleaved so that two successive ones of the program records are separated by one or more schedule records associated with a particular one of the two successive program records.